

would certainly like to see some of the good it would do for the state but I am not going to support a Vet College at the sacrifice of the greater good of the University. It seems to me that that was something that was borne out on this floor yesterday. I want to urge you, again, to keep in mind the broader picture and not follow the Pled Piper of Neligh, as you did yesterday and follow him down the path toward what I consider to be, that was a compliment John, because you did, you followed the tune and you followed what he was talking about and you blamed all our problems this year on the University yesterday. You blamed the University for property taxes that were too high. You blamed the University for a budget that wasn't able to match our revenues and you took it out on one institution. You did it to the tune that I think is going to devastate that institution if we are not going to take steps to change some of that decision. That seems to me to hurt an institution, again, that through the years, it served our state, the hundred some years that it has been in existence has been one of the proudest things that has brought our state together, not just Go Big Red and football, I believe that that is good for our state, but in addition our institution, our higher education institution at the University of Nebraska was something that could bring us all together and look back and remember the Roscoe Pounds and those individuals that have been outstanding leaders across the country in their various fields. But none of that is present here in this body anymore. Instead there is this regard for the University as a state college carried one step further. It is a feeling that the University is not something that we need to support adequately in its needs and its desires to serve our state. With that recognition it seems to me that all this talk about spending the money we are for the Vet College just is ludicrous, it makes no sense whatsoever in light of that attitude. So I am asking you to consider cutting the funding for the Vet College. If you are not going to support the University of Nebraska then lets take that action and lets just forget about supporting the University of Nebraska, it seems to be what you wanted to do yesterday. If we are not going to support what we have, then lets not talk about supporting something new. That is what the amendment would do.

SENATOR CLARK: I would like to announce that we have 11 eight grade students from Lake Minatare, students, school in Scottsbluff County, Delmar Porupsky is the teacher. Where are you? Would you stand and be recognized please. They happen to be from my district. Welcome to the Legislature Senator Haberman is next please.